

SUDDEN DEATH OF PETERSBURG MAN

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LADY THROWN FROM BUGGY

The Buggy Wheels Passed Over Her Body, Bruising Her Considerably. A Petersburg Man Has Applied for a Patent.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

PETERSBURG, VA., December 12.—Mr. Samuel Ogden was found dead in his room this morning at the residence of Mrs. J. J. Williams, formerly the Dunlop residence, not far from the head of Old Street. Coroner Leigh viewed the body, but deemed an inquest unnecessary, attributing death to heart trouble. Mr. Ogden came to Petersburg in the early evening, accepting a position as superintendent of the paper mills in operation in this city at that time. His wife was a sister of Mr. C. H. Alley, of Petersburg. She died in Tennessee several years ago, and after her death Mr. Ogden returned to this city. He was about eighty years of age, and was in comfortable circumstances.

Mrs. J. J. Williams was thrown from her buggy and painfully hurt Thursday afternoon and narrowly escaped serious injuries. She was driving a spirited horse, and as she turned to drive into her gate, the horse suddenly plunged, throwing her under the buggy. The buggy wheels passed over her body, bruising her considerably, but she sustained no serious injuries.

Mr. Charles F. Shell, formerly of Petersburg, and Miss Drusilla Fox, of Brooks, Va., will be married at Brooks, December 23d.

There are two felony cases to be heard at the December term of the Corporation Court, which begins next Thursday. The monthly meeting of the Baptist Sunday School Association, of Petersburg, Ettrick, and Matocosa will be held at Second Baptist Church, in this city, to-morrow afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. Rev. W. W. Sisk, pastor of Clapton Street Baptist Church, Manchester, will deliver the address.

The congregation of Wesley Methodist Church will worship in the lecture room of the new church to-morrow, and a special programme has been arranged for the occasion.

The friends of Mr. Arthur L. Bishop, in Petersburg, have received no communication whatever from him since he shot Thomas Wilson at Charlotte, N. C. The police in this city are carefully watching the arrival of every train, taking pains to make the arrest in the event Bishop should come to Petersburg.

Mr. W. H. Harrison is critically ill, and his condition to-night is extremely serious. Mr. Harrison has been sick for two years and for the past six months has been confined to his home. He is suffering from a complication of heart trouble.

THE SCHOOL'S CLOSED

Elizabeth City School Board Acts Because of Diphtheria.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., December 12.—The Elizabeth City County School Board this morning met and recommended that the schools of the county be closed for the present on account of the prevalence of diphtheria. The order is a precautionary measure, as the disease has hardly reached epidemic proportions.

The coal situation in Newport News has reached an alarming stage. There is only one dealer in the city who has a ton of hard coal. Soft coal and wood are selling for \$3, and a good deal of coke is being burned.

The schooner yacht Sylph, owned by John A. Berkey, of St. Paul, arrived here this evening from Baltimore. On board are Mr. and Mrs. Berkey and their three sons. They will be joined here by a daughter.

"BERRY'S FOR TRUNKS."



Don't know of any trunk we haven't in stock—unless it's the cephant.

Any man or boy, lady or young girl—for traveling or staying at home, can be provided with a most acceptable present from this Trunk, Bag and Case Department of ours.

Trunks, \$2.25 to \$50.00.
Bags, \$1.25 to \$5.00, (hitted).
Suit Cases, \$1.00 to \$4.50, (hitted).

O.H. Berry & Co.
MEN'S & BOYS' OUTFITTERS

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Mary J. White.

Mrs. Mary J. White, wife of Mr. J. H. White, died Friday night at her home on East Marshall Street. Mrs. White was fifty-two years of age and during the latter years of her life was an invalid, confined to her room. The interment will be made in Nelson cemetery.

Mr. S. Curtis.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
PETERSBURG, VA., December 13.—Mr. S. Curtis died early this morning at the home of Mrs. Robinson, in Batterssea, after a lingering illness. Tuberculosis developed in the young man's arm about three years ago, and it was amputated in the hope that the disease would be conquered. He was taken ill again several weeks ago with the same disease, and rapidly grew worse until death. Mr. Curtis had recently been in the employ of Mr. R. M. Partin, druggist, in this city, and was a young man of splendid character and highly esteemed.

Miss Bertha Coste.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
WARSAW, VA., December 13.—After an illness lasting several weeks, Miss Bertha Coste, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Coste, of Nottoli Grove, died this morning at 11 o'clock. Several other members of her family are ill with malarial fever, the disease from which this young lady died.

William M. Thomas.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., December 13.—William M. Thomas, one of the bravest members of Company K, Forty-fourth Virginia Infantry, is dead aged fifty-five. His wife and two daughters survive him.

J. no. T. Nash.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
TAYLORVILLE, VA., December 13.—John T. Nash, a prominent citizen of the county, died at his home yesterday on Bluestone, about ten miles east of town.

Negro Men Arrested.

For beating Mary Powell last night Tom Green was arrested and jailed at the Third Police Station by Patrolman Gorman. Both parties are colored. The same officer also arrested Tom Payne, who, it is alleged, assaulted his wife.

Verdict in Fire.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, ILL., Dec. 13.—The coroner's jury in the investigation of the Lincoln Hotel fire, returned a verdict to-night in which it charged the loss of fourteen lives to the owners and agents of the building, the proprietor of the hotel and the city building department.

ANNUAL BANQUET OF THE HOWITZERS

Members of Association and Battery Meet Around Board.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Governor of the State, Ex-Governor O'Ferrall Among Those Who Recalled the Days When the Howitzer Battery Fought.

With a full attendance of the members—old and young, honorary and active, uniformed and ununiformed—and a number of invited guests present, the Richmond Howitzer Association celebrated their twenty-seventh anniversary at Murphy's Hotel last night with a sumptuous banquet and reunion. The occasion proved one of the most successful and pleasant in the history of the organization, and as such it will be long remembered by those who attended.

Mr. Charles E. Wingo, president of the Howitzer Association, delivered a most eloquent address of welcome, after which he introduced Judge George L. Christian, who, during the balance of the evening, acted as master of ceremonies and toastmaster.

DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS.

The speech-making was commenced by ex-Governor Charles T. O'Ferrall, who, after being introduced by Judge Christian, responded with a brief address, in which he paid a number of glowing compliments to the Howitzer Association, referring to the time and again to the enviable record the battery had made during the war between the States.

Following the former Governor, Attorney-General Anderson was presented, and his was one of the wittiest speeches of the evening.

Governor Andrew J. Montague was next called upon by the toastmaster, and after apologizing for having been detained for some time on account of another pressing engagement, expressed to the association his delight at being able to be among them on such a memorable occasion.

Mr. James R. Catton, delegate in the lower branch of the General Assembly from Alexandria, concluded the speech-making, his address being eloquent and humorous. He was loudly applauded and frequently interrupted with laughter.

THOSE PRESENT.

Among the faces to be seen about the banquet board last night were: Messrs. J. B. Moore, ex-Governor Chas. T. O'Ferrall, W. L. Sheppard, Boswell Alston, John T. O'Ferrall, C. T. Todd, C. G. Boshier, R. R. Roberts, H. C. Carter, R. W. Jones, Tate Coons, Edward Gray, William H. Tatum, W. L. Williams, J. H. Henson, W. H. Anderson, Robert Stiles, James R. Catton, George W. Porter, A. O. Jones, J. M. Pourqueres, John S. Elliott, R. T. Taylor, C. E. Jones, J. S. McCarthy, L. B. Franklin, Julian McCarthy, James A. Griggs, G. A. Smith, T. W. Macon, S. B. Atkins, Lee Lorraine, Alex. Duval, Rev. W. A. Evans, R. T. Adams, W. W. Barrow, T. R. Baker, Dr. James P. Smith, W. E. Wood, H. M. Clarke, W. L. Schulte, W. J. Daniels, R. F. Patterson, Jack Wilson, G. H. Harvey, J. S. S. P. Patterson, G. A. Lyon, C. A. Motley, George A. Jones, J. H. Dodd, A. L. Richardson, J. E. Rowe, Jr., W. M. Allen, J. S. Boshier, R. L. Adams, T. P. Taylor, F. W. Morrison, J. Warren Booker, J. T. Watson, C. W. MacFarland, William M. Myers, D. G. Davis, E. J. Boshier, B. Lorraine, W. H. McCarthy, S. H. Bowman, George Gibson, Jr., and James T. Gray.

IT WAS A VICTORY FOR CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS

(By Associated Press.)
ATLANTA, GA., Dec. 13.—The Supreme Court of Georgia to-day handed down a decision, which is regarded by Christian Scientists as a vindication.

A citizen of Duval County, Ga., a Christian Scientist, refused to give medicine to his sick child. The child died and the father was arrested and fined \$500. The case was appealed to the State Supreme Court, which to-day reversed the judgment of the lower court, holding that the refusal to give medical attention to children when ill is not a violation of the laws of the State.

Christmas Shopping at Kaufmann's!

Why Not To-Morrow?

THE holiday showing is now at its best—no picked-over stock to choose from—no holiday crowd pushing and jostling you about. Your wants and pleasure will never be more cleverly looked after or surely guaranteed. The up-to-date purchaser seeks for the practical and buys something of value, of wearable usefulness and not gilded novelties or worthless toys. We suggest a few of the many that may help you in making your selections.

Women's Neckwear.

The completeness of a woman's toilette depends on what is worn at the neck. Pretty neckwear is sure to appeal to any one who recognizes its importance. Our styles are charming and varied. You cannot make a mistake in choosing a simple gift from the wide range we show.

Ladies and Misses' Lace Collars, in round and square effect of cream and white, Arabian or Russian lace. \$2.25, \$1.98, 98c. and \$1.00.

Stock, with bishop ends of taffeta or chiffon, finished with lace and black trimmings, in various colors, 98c. and \$1.00.

Stock and Ping-Pong Effect of White Mousseline, trimmed in Black Spanish lace. \$1.75

Black and White Ruches of Liberty Silk, with ends. \$2.75

Ladies' Ruches of Black Liberty Silk, with triple cape, edged with narrow white ribbon. \$4.00

Fans.

A Serviceable Gift.

White or Black G. size Fans, ornamented with gilt spangle. \$1.00

White Silk Gauze Fans, with steel trimmings and hand-painted effects, 98c. and \$1.00.

White Silk Gauze, with ivory handles, steel and lace trimmings, and hand-painted effects, \$1.50 and \$1.00.

Black Silk Gauze Fans, with steel spangles, \$4.50 and \$2.50.

Fine White Silk Gauze, with steel and lace trimmings, ivory handles, \$2.25 to \$5.00.

Xmas Glove News.

Ladies' and Misses' Golf or Lam's Wool Gloves, in plain and mixed colors, closely knitted, tight-fitting wrists, in all sizes and colors, 75c. 50c. and 25c.

Ladies' Kid Gloves, either Dressed, Plique or Suede, in all the delectable shades, Black and White, neatly stitched, with two clips. \$1.00

Ladies' Fine Quality Imported, French Dressed Kid Gloves, in all the newest shades and colors. \$1.50

Manicure and Sterlin. Silver Sets and Pieces in large variety—everything that a lady requires for her dressing table or secretaire. Many qualities are shown, ranging from 25c. for small silver articles to \$12.00 for sets of Silver-plated Brush, Comb and Mirror, packed in white satin lined cases.

Kaufmann & Co. Fourth and Broad Streets.

CHRISTMAS FEVER SEIZES UPON CITY

Broad Street Crowded With Busy Shoppers.

That Christmas is not far distant is apparent on every hand. In the appearance of the busy thoroughfares; in the hurry and unusual bustle of the people that throng the stores; in the gay spirits of young and old, rich and poor, there is evidence of some exceptional happening soon to come to pass. Christmas is in the air, and its influences, keen and contagious, begin to affect every one, from the meanest mortal up.

It is a time-honored custom to set forth that earth Christmas is better than the rest; that Santa Claus at this particular time seems to have more devotees than at any other period during his reign; that there are indications of a more genial observance of the day. But these platitudinous effusions amount to less than the space they occupy. Flat and stale, they somehow do not fit in with a time when all is fresh and buoyant with the delicious fragrance of the holiday time. So the throngs are discontented, and all that is said of the general prospects for the day is all that should be said—that Christmas this year will be a good and genuine and cheerful old Christmas, sound to the core with the hearty and traditional features that distinguish it from all other days and at the same time endear it to the hearts of men.

Again will Santa Claus skim the house-tops, and to the merry jingle of his reindeer's bells dispense with a liberal hand these gifts for which his staunch little subjects have been waiting the live-long year—marvels of excitement for the children, brain-again will there be the more precious, but no less enjoyable, exchange of presents and well wishes among the grown-up children who have never yet entirely forsaken allegiance to the god of the feast. Again, finally, will everybody feel good and happy and wish goodness and happiness to all his fellows; again will the warm chords of hearty "sing with one sweet strain: 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.'"

BROAD-STREET CHRISTMAS.

The finest exhibition of the Christmas spirit in Richmond is to be witnessed on Broad Street, which may be likened to some grand emporium of trade and travel to which all avenues lead just at this time. All Richmond seems to be there at some period or other during the day. Yesterday particularly was the thoroughfare overrun, and at some moments it bordered on congestion. Everybody was out, and either looking at things or buying them.

It was a curious study watching that crowd as it swung along intent upon Christmas matters. Women, old and young, and men, the same, and white people, rich people and poor people—all were there, and all will be there

for the next week to come. Children hurry along, worming in and out between the moving throng, or stand with bugle eyes before some window filled to the brim with ravishing hobby-horses, dolls, express wagons, magic lanterns. Here and there some enterprising little fellow, the youngest and there he looks like a magnet and holds them gazing by the hour. Near First and Broad is some sort of miniature steam engine running in full blast. Below it is water where many boats are gathered. The children who stop there and on one foot and then the other, and wish they had the contraption, and finally yell out with delight when the boats go sailing away, are utterly without number. Again it is a sure enough, live Santa Claus, with flowing beard and hoary locks, which attracts the youngsters, and there he stands unwearied, while the poor Santa Claus worries himself to death trying to keep up appearances.

Book stores and the book counters of the department stores are much frequented just now. There is no more popular gift than a handsome book, or a beautiful calendar, and never before were there finer specimens of each. gorgeously bound and illustrated volumes abound, and strings of lovely calendars, each more desirable than the next and the first better than the last, vex the head of him who tries to select.

Miss Shafer Hurt.

Miss Rosalie Shafer, who was slightly hurt in the wreck at Hight Point Friday, left Richmond Thursday night for a trip to Arkansas. Miss Shafer was a little out and bruised under the left arm. She was maid of honor in the Walker-Shafer wedding here last week.

THINK HARD.

It Pays to Think About Food.

The unthinking life some people lead often causes trouble and sickness, as illustrated in the experience of a lady who resides in Fond Du Lac, Wis.

"About four years ago I suffered dreadfully from indigestion, always having after whatever I liked, not thinking of the digestible qualities. This indigestion caused palpitation of the heart so badly I could not walk up a flight of stairs without sitting down once or twice to regain breath and strength.

"I became alarmed and tried dieting, wrote my friends for advice, and many other remedies, but found no relief.

"Hearing of the virtues of Grape-Nuts and Postum Food Coffee, I commenced using them in place of my usual breakfast of coffee, cakes or hot biscuit, and in one week's time I was relieved of my stomach and other ill attending indigestion. In a month's time my heart was performing its functions naturally and I could climb stairs and hills and walk long distances.

"I gained ten pounds in this short time, and my skin became clear and I completely regained my health and strength. I continue to use Grape-Nuts and Postum Food Coffee, and I owe my good health entirely to their use. I like the delicious flavor of Grape-Nuts and by making Postum according to directions it cannot be distinguished from the highest grade of coffee." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Furs as Gifts.

The nipping cold of a few days ago proved to many a man how very charming and dainty a woman looks wrapped in comfortable and dressy furs; and they're not so expensive as you may think—especially this year—for we took advantage of the continued mild spell and bought below value. We give you the full benefit of this cheap buying.

Scarfs of Squirrel, Fox, Mink, Sable, Marten, and Seal, with 1, 5, or 8 bushy tails and claws, in many new shapes and styles—\$25.00, \$15.00, \$12.00, and \$10.00.

Staple and Opessum, in broad collar effects. \$7.50

Muffs to match in new shapes and all the best skins, for 98c. \$21.00

Select a Stylish Coat.

of Silk, Velour, or Fur. What is more dressy, or, in fact, a better investment than to see the lady of our household attired elegantly? Here are a few items that will not tax your pocket greatly, and yet are of substantial value:

St. Monte Carlo of good quality taffeta, double collar, tailor-stitched, in bands of 100, new full sleeves and turned-back cuffs. \$10.00

Velour Blouse, with double collar and turned-back cuffs, silk bow, \$16.50

Velour Blouse, with double collar and turned-back cuffs, silk bow, \$22.50

Velour Blouse, with double collar and turned-back cuffs, silk bow, \$27.50

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Brit-a-Brac.

We have several hundred pieces of small ornaments for the home, such as Tiffany Vases, with silver trimming; Cameo Plaques, Figures for Tobacco Jars, Liquor Sets, Metal Money Safes, Ink Stands, Nickel Nut Crackers, Embossed Plaques, and many other requisites and useful knick-knacks, which are priced regardless of value or cost.

Handkerchiefs.

A Recognized Gift.

With every half dozen purchased a Decorated Box will be given free.

Ladies' Fine Turkish, with Val lace edge, also embroidered corners, scalloped edge with French knot finish. \$12.00

Ladies' Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, embroidered initial with various designs, embroidered in corners. \$25c

Ladies' Fine Sheer India Linen Handkerchiefs, daintily trimmed, with real V. lace, also embroidered corners, scalloped edge with French knot finish. \$48c

Gents' All-Silk Jap. Handkerchiefs, 14, 12, and 24 inches wide, matched; body and border white. \$88c

A few extra nice designs in matching edge of Fine Linen Handkerchiefs, for \$1.25 and \$1.50

Gents' Mufflers, all silk, in Black and Roman checks. \$1.50

Umbrellas.

Very Useful Gifts.

We will have Monograms engraved and delivered same day.

24" and 28" Umbrellas, on the best frames, with the popular hat handle and pearl or silver mounts. \$2.25

Ladies' Taffeta Silk Umbrellas, with red-edge rib, the proper style, in gold or silver, with pearl or silver mounts. \$4.98

A nice assortment of Gentlemen's Umbrellas, in union or selected fabrics, with popular-shaped handles, some metal capped, others in gold or silver. \$1.50

WOULD HAVE BEAT BOSTOCK'S SHOWS THEIR BOARD BILL OPEN WEDNESDAY

Four Men Arrested While Trying to Get Out of the City Last Night.

James O. W. S. Elliott, H. C. Chaplain and H. C. McCurdy, iron workers, until yesterday afternoon employed at the Old Dominion Iron and Nail Works, were last night arrested at the Main Street station by Patrolman Toler, of the Second District, as they were boarding a north-bound train, with transportation in their pockets to Pittsburgh. Their baggage had already been checked, and it was supposed that they had gone on to the city, while the four men now occupy cells at the Second Station, where they will remain until to-morrow morning, when Justice John will pass upon the charge against them of trying to beat their board bill.

After being arrested last night two of the men made a most determined effort to compromise their case by paying their board to George A. Ellis, of Eleventh and Bainbridge Streets, Manchester, the proprietor of the place in which they have been living since coming here from Cleveland, Ohio. This move on the part of the accused failed to meet with success, the officers and Ellis alike preferring to hold them pending a hearing by the Police Court Justice.

The warrants on which the men were arrested were sworn out shortly after 7 o'clock by Ellis. He alleges that each of the four men owes him \$12 for four weeks' board at his place in Manchester.

HUNSDON CARY MAY BE CAPTAIN OF THE BLUES

The selection of a captain for Company B, Light Infantry Blues, seems to be as far off as ever, and the results of the election for next Wednesday night is very hard to forecast. Since the refusal of Mr. George B. Elliott to serve as captain, the situation resolves itself back to the same condition, and any attempt to run the two candidates—Lieutenants Hobson and Brock—again is regarded as only the prolonging of the contest.

That the office is going begging is by no means the case, and there are a number of good military men in the city outside of the company who could very successfully fill the position. The desire of the company, however, is to fill the vacancy from their own members, and but for the determination of the friends of the two men to support their respective candidates the selection would have been a thing of the past. The only solution of the long now seems to be for the non-commissioned officers to get together and recommend that one or the other of the candidates withdraw or else an outside party be brought in. Among the outsiders that are spoken of very favorably is Mr. Hunsdon Cary, the son of Colonel W. Miles Cary.

Sold or Druggists 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Christmas Comes But Once a Year!

And Well You Know 'tis Almost Here!